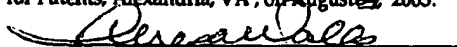




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In the application of:

A. Quoc Pham et al.

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For: CERIA-BASED SOLID OXIDE FUEL
CELLS

Examiner: G. Cantelmo

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is an amendment in a RCE Application. This is in response to the Office Action, mailed March 6, 2003. Enclosed is a petition and fee for a three-month extension of time. Please amend the application as follows.